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## RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated August 19, 2003 (Paper No. 15), for which a response was due on November 19, 2003. Submitted herewith is a petition and fee for a one (1) month extension of time, thereby extending the time for response up to, and including, December 19, 2003. Accordingly this response is timely filed. The amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2. The remarks begin on page 5. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, in light of the amendments and remarks presented herein is respectfully requested.